

CLAIMS:

1. A guide system for generating guide contents from site information, contents information and information on information sources attached to the site information, the guide system comprising:
 - a terminal;
 - a contents server connectable to said terminal by a network; and
 - a portable device carried by a user;

said terminal comprising:

 - information setting means for setting a combination of the information on information sources and the contents information, and
 - information transmitting means for transmitting information specifying the set combination to said contents server;

said contents server comprising:

 - information receiving means for receiving the information transmitted by said information transmitting means,
 - site information focusing means for narrowing down the site information using the received information,
 - guide contents generating means for generating guide contents using the narrowed down site information, and
 - guide contents output means for outputting the generated guide contents; and

said portable device comprising:

 - guide contents acquisition means for acquiring the output guide contents, and
 - contents utilizing means for using the acquired guide contents.
2. A contents server which generates guide contents from site information, information on information sources and contents information, said server comprising:
 - information acquisition means for acquiring information specifying a combination of the information on information sources and the contents information;
 - site information focusing means for narrowing down the site information using the acquired information;
 - guide contents generating means for generating guide contents using

the narrowed down site information; and

guide contents output means for outputting the generated guide contents.

3. The contents server according to claim 2, wherein:
the site information includes site positional information, and
said guide contents generating means generates the guide contents using map data, the map data including positional information on a map for each site, said guide contents generating means laying out and displaying the site information on the map by matching the site positional information to the positional information on the map.

4. The contents server according to claim 2, further comprising:
user information acquisition means for acquiring user information created by a user, wherein said guide contents generating means generates the guide contents by relating the acquired user information with the site information.

5. A portable device which utilizes information on information sources, contents information, and site information including positional information specifying a position of a site, said portable device comprising:

information acquisition means for acquiring information specifying a combination of the information on information sources and the contents information;
focusing means for narrowing down the site information using the acquired information;

matching means for matching the positional information included with the site information to positional information on a map for each site to produce a map/site match for each site; and

display means for displaying the site information on the map using the narrowed down site information and the map/site match for each site.

6. The portable device according to claim 5, wherein:
said display means displays the site information on the map using an icon corresponding to the site information.

7. The portable device according to claim 6, wherein said display means displays the site information corresponding to the icon.

8. An information processing method for generating guide contents from site information, information on information sources and contents information, said information processing method comprising:

acquiring information specifying a combination of the information on information sources and the contents information;

narrowing down the site information using the acquired information;

generating guide contents using the narrowed down site information;

and

outputting the generated guide contents.

9. The information processing method according to claim 8, wherein:

the site information includes site positional information, and

the guide contents generating step generates the guide contents using map data, the map data including positional information on a map for each site, the guide contents generating step including laying out and displaying the site information on the map by matching the site positional information to the positional information on the map.

10. The information processing method according to claim 8, further comprising:

acquiring user information created by a user, wherein the guide contents generation step generates the guide contents by relating the acquired user information to the site information.

11. An information processing method for using contents information, information on information sources, and site information including positional information specifying a position of a site, said information processing method comprising:

acquiring information specifying a combination of the information on information sources and the contents information;

narrowing down the site information using the acquired information;
matching the positional information included with the site information to
positional information on a map for each site to produce a map/site match for each
site; and
displaying the site information on the map using the narrowed down site
information and the map/site match for each site.

12. The information processing method according to claim 11, wherein the
displaying step displays the site information on the map using an icon corresponding
to the site information.

13. The information processing method according to claim 12, wherein the
displaying step displays the site information corresponding to the icon.

14. An information processing system for generating guide contents from
site information, information on information sources and contents information, the
system comprising:

a processor operable to execute instructions; and
instructions, the instructions including:
acquiring information specifying a combination of the information on
information sources and the contents information;
narrowing down the site information using the acquired information;
generating guide contents using the narrowed down site information;
and
outputting the generated guide contents.

15. The information processing system according to claim 14, wherein:
the site information includes site positional information, and
the guide contents generating step generates the guide contents using
map data, the map data including positional information on a map for each site, the
guide contents generating step including laying out and displaying the site information
on the map by matching the site positional information to the positional information on
the map.

16. The information processing system according to claim 14, wherein the instructions further include:

acquiring user information created by a user, and

the guide contents generating step generates the guide contents by relating the acquired user information to the site information.

17. An information processing system for generating guide contents from contents information, information on information sources, and site information including positional information specifying a position of a site, the system comprising:

a processor operable to execute instructions; and

instructions, the instructions including:

acquiring information specifying a combination of the information on information sources and the contents information;

narrowing down the site information using the acquired information;

matching the positional information included with the site information to positional information on a map for each site to produce a map/site match for each site; and

displaying the site information on the map using the narrowed down site information and the map/site match for each site.

18. The information processing system according to claim 17, wherein the displaying step displays the site information on the map using an icon corresponding to the site information.

19. The information processing system according to claim 18, wherein the displaying step displays the site information corresponding to the icon.

20. A computer-readable memory medium recorded with an information processing program for generating guide contents from site information, information on information sources and contents information, the program comprising:

acquiring information specifying a combination of the information on information sources and the contents information;

narrowing down the site information using the acquired information;

generating guide contents using the narrowed down site information;
and
outputting the generated guide contents.

21. The computer-readable memory medium according to claim 20,
wherein:

the site information includes site positional information, and
the guide contents generating step generates the guide contents using
map data, the map data including positional information on a map for each site, the
guide contents generating step including laying out and displaying the site information
on the map by matching the site positional information to the positional information on
the map.

22. The computer-readable memory medium according to claim 20,
wherein the information processing program further includes:

acquiring user information created by a user, and
the contents generating step generates the guide contents by relating
the acquired user information to the site information.

23. A computer-readable memory medium recorded with an information
processing program for generating guide contents from contents information,
information on information sources, and site information including positional
information specifying a position of a site, the program comprising:

acquiring information specifying a combination of the information on
information sources and the contents information;

narrowing down the site information using the acquired information;
matching the positional information included with the site information to
positional information on a map for each site to produce a map/site match for each
site; and

displaying the site information on the map using the narrowed down site
information and the map/site match for each site.

24. The computer-readable memory medium according to claim 23, wherein the displaying step displays the site information on the map using an icon corresponding to the site information.
25. The computer-readable memory medium according to claim 24, wherein the displaying step displays the site information corresponding to the icon.